CARE Team

Overview of the WVU behavioral intervention team



What is the CARE Team?

- Collaboration Assessment Response Engagement Team
- Behavioral Intervention Team working to reduce threats to the safety and well-being of students and the greater WVU community
- Group of WVU professionals that work with students that are at-risk and/or having complex concerns
- Help students get the needed supports and resources to be successful
- Housed within the Campus and Community Life Office



Improve Coordination

Bridge Gaps in Services

Goals

Prevention/Early Intervention

Reporting

Promote Culture of Caring

Support WVU Community Members

Team Members

Core Team Members

Campus and Community Life - Kim Mosby CLASS – Freddie McDonald

Office of Student Conduct – Carrie Showalter University Police Department - Sherry St. Clair

Carruth Center - T. Anne Hawkins Title IX – Maribeth Tarpley

Housing and Residence Life – Trish Cendana Case Manager - Allison Hayes

Ad Hoc Members

Office of Accessibility Services – Susan Henigin Legal Counsel - Kevin Cimino

Others as needed (e.g. ISSS)

Health Sciences - Louise Veselicky



Behaviors Encouraged to Report

- Academic Concerns (classroom disruption, disturbed writing)
- Basic needs assistance (food, housing, and/or financial security)
- Bullying/harassment/stalking (in person or via internet, phone, notes)
- Concern regarding alcohol and/or other drug use
- Disastrous or traumatic event
- Extreme and inappropriate emotional outbursts (unprovoked anger/aggression, hostility)
- Hospitalization/medical/health related concern

- Inappropriate interest in weapons
- Self-harm (noticeable cuts, burns, or mutilation)
- Sexual assault/rape/attempted rape (in addition to Title IX)
- Student death
- Suicide attempt, thoughts, or threats
- Victim of a crime
- Violence or threats of violence (veiled or direct; verbal or written)
- Withdrawing and/or decreased interest in activities
- Worrisome changes in hygiene, appearance, or behavior



We all know to report high risk behaviors







We also need the community to report lower risk behaviors



HOW TO REFER

- CARE Team Referral Form
 - http://CARETeam.wvu.edu those with Advocate access can report directly in the system
 - Not monitored 24/7 for emergencies contact:

UPD 304-293-COPS (2677) or Carruth 304-293-4431

- Questions and support before or after submitting a referral
 - CARETeam or Allison. Hayes @mail.wvu.edu
 - 304-293-5611



Team Process

- Anyone can submit a CARE Team referral form (referrals are reviewed during business hours)
- CARE Team acts as triage for student concerns
- Chair and CM determine if referral will be routed to a campus department, case management, or to the larger Team for intervention
- Team meets weekly to discuss referrals, plan interventions, and follow up on action items



Common Interventions

- Meeting with the student to discuss the reported concern
- Consultation with student and their family
- Referral to an on- or off-campus resource
- Follow up and monitoring student success
- Assistance and consultation with reporting individual or unit
- Referral to another campus or administrative process



Questions?

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